Obituary for Clara Westberg-Challeen

FORMER RUSH POINT RESIDENT PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Clara Challeen of 4925 Forty-second Avenue, So., died Wednesday at the Norwegian Deaconess Hospital of injuries suffered in a traffic accident in St. Paul, February 5th. She was the wife of John Challeen.

She is survived by the husband and three children, Edmund, Ronald and Lenore. Mrs. Challeen and two other women, all members of the Trinity Lutheran Church were returning to Minneapolis after presenting a musical program at the Linnea Home for Old People in St. Paul, when their automobile collided with a street car at Como Ave. and Holten Street, St. Paul. Mrs. Challeen's companions were also injured. Mrs. Challeen was born here at Rush Point. She gained her education here in our local schools. She was a member of the Rush Point Lutheran Church during her entire stay here. She was an active member of the Ladies Aid and a Sunday school teacher for many years. Besides the members of her immediate family, she is survived by two brothers and two sisters - John Westberg, of Summit, So. Dak., Arthur Westberg, Cambridge, Mrs A. Dahlman, Duluth, Mrs. John Frake, of Summit, So. Dak.

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Obituary for John E. Challeen

Funeral In City for John Challeen, Rush Point Native

John E. Challeen, 73, resident of Minneapolis the past 44 years and formerly of Rush Point, where he was born May 24, 1884, died in a Minneapolis hospital Nov. 16. He had been failing since August, when he suffered the first of a series of strokes.

Mr. Challeen, son of a pioneer Rush Point couple, the late Magnus Challeens, is survived by a daughter and two sons, Mrs. Victor Karnos (Lenore) and Edmund of Minneapolis and Ronald of Butte, Mont; 13 grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Carl Pearson (Lydia) of Minneapolis, and two brothers, Charles and Frank of Rush Point. His wife, the former Clara Westberg, also of Rush Point, died in 1931.

Before his retirement, Mr. Challeen had been a sheet metal worker at Butler Manufacturing Company 26 years. Since 1950 he had spent the summers at his lake cottage, Rush Point.

Funeral services were held Tuesday last week at Trinity Lutheran church, Minnehaha Falls where Mr. Challeen was a member. Burial was in Lakewood cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Challeen and Charles Challeen were among the relatives attending.

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